OMER BUSH, ADMINISTRATOR.

LETTER FROM THE ASSISTANT CLERK OF THE COURT OF CLAIMS, TRANSMITTING A COPY OF THE FINDINGS FILED BY THE COURT IN THE CASE OF PHILIP BUSH AGAINST THE UNITED STATES.

January 18, 1902.—Referred to the Committee on War Claims and ordered to be printed.

COURT OF CLAIMS, CLERK'S OFFICE, Washington, January 15, 1902.

SIR: Pursuant to the order of the court I transmit herewith a certified copy of the findings filed by the court in the aforesaid cause, which case was referred to this court by the Committee on War Claims, House of Representatives, under the act of March 3, 1883.

I am, very respectfully, yours, etc.,

John Randolph, Assistant Clerk Court of Claims.

Hon. David B. Henderson, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

[Court of Claims. Congressional, No. 8852. Philip Bush v. the United States.]

This case, being a claim for supplies or stores alleged to have been taken by or furnished to the military forces of the United States for their use during the late war for the suppression of the rebellion, the court, on a preliminary inquiry, finds that Philip Bush, the person alleged to have furnished such supplies or stores, or from whom the same are alleged to have been taken, was loyal to the Government of the United States throughout said war.

Filed June 13, 1898.

BY THE COURT.

[Court of Claims. Congressional case No. 8852. Omer Bush, administrator Philip Bush, deceased, v. The United States.]

STATEMENT OF CASE.

The claim in the above-entitled case for supplies or stores alleged to have been taken by or furnished to the military forces of the United States for their use during the late war for the suppression of the rebellion was transmitted to the court by the Committee on War Claims of the House of Representatives on the 26th day of March, 1892.

On a preliminary inquiry the court, on the 13th day of June, 1898, found that the person alleged to have furnished the supplies or stores, or from whom they were alleged to have been taken, was loyal to the Government of the United States throughout said war.

The case was brought to a hearing on its merits on the 11th day of February, 1901. Gilbert Moyers, esq., appeared for claimant, and the Attorney-General, by Robert

Chisholm, esq., his assistant, and under his direction, appeared for the defense and protection of the interests of the United States.

The claimant in his petition makes the following allegations:

That he is a citizen of the United States, residing in Point Coupee Parish, State of Louisiana, where decedent resided during the late war of the rebellion; that at different times during said period the United States forces, by proper authority, took from said decedent quartermaster stores and commissary supplies consisting of horses, wagon, hogs, corn, and material in fences and houses, and appropriated the same to the use of the United States Army.

The court, upon the evidence, and after considering the briefs and argument of counsel on both sides, makes the following

FINDING OF FACT:

There was taken from the claimant's decedent, in Point Coupee Parish, State of Louisiana, during the war of the rebellion, by the military forces of the United States for the use of the Army, property of the kind above described, which was then and there reasonably worth the sum of eight hundred and twenty-four dollars (\$824). No payment appears to have been made therefor.

BY THE COURT.

Filed June 10, 1901.

A true copy.

Test this 4th day of January, A. D. 1902.

[SEAL.]

JOHN RANDOLPH, Assistant Clerk Court of Claims.